

Sustaining the Clinical Specialist Radiation Therapist (CSRT) Role: Adaptability, Prioritization and Alignment to the Organization Strategy

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Context

- Who?
- Why?

Success Criteria

- Sustainability
- Adaptability
- Alignment

Road Map

- Forward Planning
- Integral Enablers





Odette Cancer Centre

- 6th largest radiation therapy department in NA
- Provided 100,000 fractions & 8,000 courses in 2015/16
- 130 radiation therapists
 - Simulation
 - Planning
 - Treatment
 - Education (patient, trainee, continuing education)
 - Research
 - Quality & Safety
 - Advanced Practice (CSRT)





CSRT Projects: 3 Phases

- Feasibility (2004-06)
 What is advanced practice?
 What would advanced RT practice look like?
 What needs in system could be addressed?
- Demonstration (2007-10)
 What is the impact on patients & families, stakeholders, system?
- Sustainability/ Integration (2010-16)
 How do we make APRT permanent?
 - •regulatory?
 - •professional?
 - •jurisdiction (funding)?







OCC CSRT Roles

2007
Palliative/SRS
Skin

2011
Brachytherapy
Stereotactic
Body
Radiotherapy

2014
Supportive
Care & Sexual
Health









CSRT ROLE









- Identified gap
- Informed by evidence & data
- Direct link to strategic priority(ies)
- Intentional & purposeful support (stakeholders)
- Formalized systematic approach







3 Integral Success Criteria for Integration





SUSTAINABILITY

- Built into staffing model
- Part of disease site IP team
- Long term impact
- Focus on what you can control







ADAPTABILITY

- Transfer of skills, knowledge and judgement
- Leverage opportunities
- Reframe thinking to link to priorities and strategies





ALIGNMENT

- Priorities at all levels of governance
- System thinking
- Downstream investment
- Cost analysis

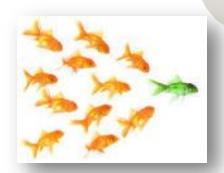






Take Home Message











Questions and Discussion
Thank You!
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